

REMARKS

This is to acknowledge that dependent Claims 8 and 19 were identified in the above-identified application as being allowable if amended so as not to depend from a rejected claim. Also, Applicant acknowledges the objection to Claim 16, and notes that Claim 16 has now been cancelled. As for allowable Claims 8 and 19, the limitations of now-cancelled Claim 8 have been added to Claim 1 from which it depended, while the limitations of now-cancelled Claim 19 have been added to Claim 13 from which it depended. Accordingly, Claims 1 and 13 are now believed to be unconditionally allowable, together with all of the claims dependent therefrom. Finally, independent Claim 25 has also been amended to include the same limitations of original allowable Claims 8 and 19, so that independent Claim 25 is also believed to be allowable.

For all the above-mentioned reasons, Applicant believes that all of the claims as now presented are unconditionally allowable, wherefore the issuance of a Notice of Allowance is solicited.

The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

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